

U.S. Consulate General St. Petersburg, Russia
SECURITY MESSAGE FOR U.S. CITIZENS
DEMONSTRATION NOTICE
August 8, 2012

The Consulate General has received information that a public demonstration may take place in front of the Consulate General building at 15 Furshatskaya Street, St. Petersburg on Wednesday, August 08, 2012 from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Demonstrations take place in Russia from time to time in response to world events or local developments. We remind U.S. citizens that even demonstrations intended to be peaceful can turn confrontational and possibly escalate into violence. U.S. citizens are therefore urged to avoid the areas of demonstrations if possible, and to exercise caution if within the vicinity of any demonstrations. U.S. citizens should stay current with media coverage of local events and be aware of their surroundings at all times.

The U.S. Consulate General in St. Petersburg is located at 15 Furshatskaya Street. The American Citizen Services Unit at the Consulate General assists U.S. citizens in northwest Russia. We can help you with passport issuance and renewal, voter assistance, notarials, and registering a child born abroad. We also provide emergency services for American citizens in case of a disaster or in case of illness, arrest, death or destitution while in northwest Russia. Appointments are required for all non-emergency services. You may obtain additional information, and make appointments online, at our website: <http://stpetersburg.usconsulate.gov/>. You may contact our American Citizen Services Unit by e-mail at StPetersburgACS@state.gov, by fax at 7-812-331-2646 or by telephone at 7- 812- 331-2600. If you have an emergency after normal business hours, please call our telephone number and you will be given instruction on how to contact the Consulate Duty Officer.

The Consulate General offers information about travel to Russia on our website, <http://stpetersburg.usconsulate.gov/> and we also encourage you to read the [Country-Specific Information Sheet for the Russian Federation](http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1006.html), http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1006.html, provided by the Department of State.

Current information on safety and security can also be obtained by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States or a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444 for callers from other countries. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays). You can also stay up to date by bookmarking our Bureau of Consular Affairs website, <http://travel.state.gov/>, which contains the current Travel Warnings and Travel Alerts, http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis_pa_tw_1168.html, as well as the Worldwide Caution, http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/pa/pa_4787.html. Follow us on Twitter, <http://twitter.com/travelgov>, and the Bureau of Consular Affairs page on Facebook, <https://www.facebook.com/travelgov>, as well. You can also download our free [Smart Traveler iPhone App](#) to have travel information at your fingertips.

The Consulate General also encourages U.S. citizens to review "A Safe Trip Abroad," http://travel.state.gov/travel/tips/safety/safety_1747.html, which includes valuable security information for those both living and traveling abroad. All U.S. citizens in Russia are urged to enroll online at the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP), <https://step.state.gov/step/>. Enrolling gives U.S. Citizens access to updated information on travel and security within Russia and makes it easier for the Consulate General to contact citizens in case of emergency.